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Telegraphing from Petrograd, the correspondent of the Morning Post says:

"The center of gravity on the Russian front has now shifted definitely from the south to the north. The latest news indicates that the attack on the Niemen-Dvina front, with its base on East Prussia, is the real thing to which all other movements are subordinate. In these circumstances the question of Warsaw loses half its importance."

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Westminster Gazette Confesses Some International Rules Have Been Modified.

SAYS GERMANY CAUSED PRESENT SITUATION

London Evening Standard Thinks Differences With Washington Serious, But Not Irreconcilable.

LONDON, August 4.—The comment of the London afternoon newspapers on the correspondence between Walter H. Page, the American ambassador, and Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, admits generally that America and other neutrals have a grievance, but they insist, to use the words of the Westminster Gazette, "that Great Britain has been compelled to modify some of the accepted rules because Germany has deliberately broken these rules."

Continuing, the Westminster Gazette says: "For the moment we would do well to recognize that on a strict interpretation of international law neutrals have a grievance upon which they are entitled to insist, but that this grievance arises in the main from the peculiar way Germany has chosen to make of the submarine in her war upon merchantmen, both enemy and neutral."

Comment on Iberian Incident.

This same newspaper, in reference to the sinking of the British steamer Iberian, in which two Americans lost their lives, notes the silence of the American press on this incident, and says: "United States news to the American press has been most direct. It has the practical form of killing without warning of American seamen. Apparently the American press has its way no notice is to be taken of this fact. This impression of the real feeling of the United States is a serious matter, but it is no more lost upon Germany than upon this country."

The Evening Standard in an editorial says: "The notes exchanged show that the differences between Great Britain and the United States, although serious, are by no means irreconcilable."

Says Contention Is Accepted.

It points out that Sir Edward Grey unreservedly accepts the main American contention that international law must prevail over national law. Continuing, it argues that the order in council makes national law conform fully to international requirements, but if the United States does not accept this view then Sir Edward Grey concedes that Great Britain will make no objection in order that an organized and compact course of operations may be assured and prepared. The longer the line of the front is held, the more carefully must the mechanism by which reinforcements of every kind are supplied be worked out."

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U. S. Attorney Investigating Disclosures Affecting Local Department.

BASED ON STATEMENT BY MARGARET STOUT

Officials Reticent Regarding Character of the Accusations—Inquiry by Grand Jury Probable.

Alleged graft in the police department, in which five or six policemen are said to have been named, has come to light in a statement made by Mrs. Margaret Stout to Assistant United States Attorney S. McComas Hawken, it is learned.

The statement of Mrs. Stout, who was recently convicted and sentenced to a term of two years at Occoquan on a charge of conducting a disorderly house, came after she had been surrendered by her bondsmen in Criminal Court No. 1 Monday afternoon. Upon being taken into court she immediately made certain accusations which Mr. Hawken decided to investigate. Mrs. Stout was taken to the office of United States Attorney Lasker, who assigned Mr. Hawken to investigate the matter.

A stenographer took her statement, and yesterday afternoon a number of witnesses were summoned to Mr. Hawken's office at the city hall. These witnesses included, it is stated, jurors who sat in the case of the accused woman and also in the case of Raymond Kleindienst, former detective, who was convicted of adultery. It is stated several members of the police department were also heard.

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